Update- Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash Involving Tractor TrailerMillsboro

Millsboro- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash involving a tractor trailer that occurred earlier this morning.

The incident occurred on January 3, 2020 at approximately 7:27 a.m., when a 2001 Toyota Sienna, Minivan which was just reported stolen from the Royal Farms in Georgetown, was traveling southbound on Millsboro Highway (SR 26) just south of Betts Road. A 2019 Mack Tractor Trailer towing an enclosed tanker with a soybean by product was traveling northbound on Millsboro Highway in the same vicinity. For unknown reasons, the operator of the minivan failed to maintain its proper lane and entered into the opposing travel lane directly in front of the tractor trailer. The operator of the tractor trailer was unable to avoid the minivan which resulted in a head-on collision within the northbound lane of travel.

The operator of the minivan, a 48-year-old male from Milford, Delaware was not properly restrained. He was pronounced deceased at the scene. His name is being withheld at this time pending the notification of next of kin.

The operator of the tractor trailer, a 40 year-old male from Salisbury, Maryland was properly restrained. He was transported to PRMC in Salisbury where he was treated and released for minor injuries.

Millsboro Highway in the area of Betts Road was closed for approximately 4 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit. If anyone has any information or witnessed this crash, they are asked to please contact Troop 7, Detective J. Burns at (302) 703-3266. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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